

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A website interface system for a vehicle, comprising:
a vehicle that includes a first camera;
a remote device that includes a first display and a first microphone; and
5 a vehicle website provider that communicates with said vehicle and said remote device and that establishes a communications interface between said vehicle and said remote device,
wherein said remote device controls a position of said first camera through said communications interface and said first
10 display displays an image from said first camera and wherein a user of said remote device uses said first microphone to communicate with an occupant of said vehicle.
2. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said remote device controls an engine of said vehicle through said communications interface.
3. The website interface system of Claim 2 wherein said remote device one of activates and deactivates said engine.
4. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said remote device controls a door of said vehicle through said communications interface.
5. The website interface system of Claim 4 wherein said remote devices one of locks and unlocks said door.

6. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said vehicle includes a second microphone and wherein said occupant uses said second microphone to communicate with said user.

7. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said vehicle includes a second display and said remote device includes a second camera and wherein said second display displays an image from said second camera.

8. The website interface system of Claim 7 wherein said second display is only activated when an engine of said vehicle is deactivated.

9. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said remote device controls a loudspeaker that is located on an exterior of said vehicle through said communications interface.

10. The website interface system of Claim 9 wherein said user uses said first microphone to communicate with entities that are located exterior to said vehicle through said loudspeaker.

11. The website interface system of Claim 10 wherein said vehicle includes a second microphone that is located on said exterior and wherein said user and said entities use said first and second microphones, respectively, to communicate.

12. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said vehicle includes a controller that stores an image from said first camera.

13. The website interface system of Claim 12 wherein said controller automatically captures at least one image from said first camera when said vehicle is impacted.

14. The website interface system of Claim 13 wherein a position of said first camera automatically adjusts as said controller automatically captures at least two images from said first camera.

15. The website interface system of Claim 12 wherein said vehicle website provider includes a data storage device and wherein said user uploads said image to said data storage device.

16. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said vehicle website provider receives vehicle parameters from said vehicle and displays said vehicle parameters on said first display.

17. The website interface system of Claim 16 wherein said vehicle website provider receives global positioning information from said vehicle and displays a location of said vehicle on said first display.

18. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said remote device communicates with said vehicle website provider through one of a private connection and an Internet protocol address.

19. The website interface system of Claim 1 wherein said remote device is one of a personal computer, a mobile telephone, and a personal digital assistant device.

20. A website interface system for a vehicle, comprising:
a vehicle that includes a first camera and that includes a loudspeaker that is located on an exterior of said vehicle;

a remote device that includes a first display and a first
5 microphone; and
a vehicle website provider that communicates with said
vehicle and said remote device and that establishes a communications
interface between said vehicle and said remote device,
wherein said remote device controls said loudspeaker
10 and said first camera through said communications interface, said first
display displays an image from said first camera, and a user of said
remote device uses said first microphone to communicate with entities
that are exterior to said vehicle through said loudspeaker.

21. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said
remote device controls an engine of said vehicle through said
communications interface.

22. The website interface system of Claim 21 wherein said
remote device one of activates and deactivates said engine.

23. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said
remote device controls a door of said vehicle through said
communications interface.

24. The website interface system of Claim 23 wherein said
remote devices one of locks and unlocks said door.

25. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said
remote device controls a position of said first camera.

26. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said
user uses said first microphone to communicate with an occupant of
said vehicle.

27. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said vehicle includes a second microphone and wherein an occupant of said vehicle uses said second microphone to communicate with said user.

28. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said vehicle includes a second display and said remote device includes a second camera and wherein said second display displays an image from said second camera.

29. The website interface system of Claim 28 wherein said second display is only activated when an engine of said vehicle is deactivated.

30. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said vehicle includes a second microphone on said exterior and wherein said user and said entities use said first and second microphones, respectively, to communicate.

31. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said vehicle includes a controller that stores an image from said first camera.

32. The website interface system of Claim 31 wherein said controller automatically captures at least one image from said first camera when said vehicle is impacted.

33. The website interface system of Claim 32 wherein a position of said first camera automatically adjusts as said controller automatically captures at least two images from said first camera.

34. The website interface system of Claim 31 wherein said vehicle website provider includes a data storage device and wherein said user uploads said image to said data storage device.

35. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said vehicle website provider receives vehicle parameters from said vehicle and displays said vehicle parameters on said first display.

36. The website interface system of Claim 18 wherein said vehicle website provider receives global positioning information from said vehicle and displays a location of said vehicle on said first display.

37. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said remote device communicates with said vehicle website provider through one of a private connection and an Internet protocol address.

38. The website interface system of Claim 20 wherein said remote device is one of a personal computer, a mobile telephone, and a personal digital assistant device.